GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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SETTING UP OF PLANTS BY IOC AT HALDIA REFINERY AND PARADEEP IN ORISSA
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Oil has set up cryogenic nitrogen and crumb rubber modified bitumen plant at Haldia refinery and also in Paradeep, Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the production capacity of said plant;

(c) whether Indian Oil also proposes to set up a paraxylem plant in Haldia and in Paradeep;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the expenditure incurred by Indian Oil in setting up of each such plants?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) to (e) : One Cryogenic Nitrogen Plant at Haldia Refinery of capacity 1350 Nm3/hr# (Gaseous Nitrogen) + 275 Nm3/hr (Gas equivalent Liquid Nitrogen) at a cost of Rs.16.50 crores was set up by Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) in February, 2007. There is another old Cryogenic Nitrogen Plant of capacity 400 Nm3/hr (Gaseous Nitrogen) + 200 Nm3/hr (Gas equivalent Liquid Nitrogen) which was set up at Haldia Refinery in September, 1999.

A Cryogenic Nitrogen Plant of capacity 2x8000 Nm3/hr (Gaseous Nitrogen) is also likely to be set up at Paradeep under Grassroots Paradeep Refinery Project.

A Crumb Rubber Modified Bitumen Plant at Haldia Refinery of capacity 50,000 metric tonnes per annum was set up in February, 2007 through a public tender and the contract is valid upto 09.05.2009. No expenditure was incurred on this plant by IOC as this plant has been set up by M/s Tinna Overseas Ltd., the contractor, at their cost. However, the contractor charges for supply of Crumb Rubber Modifier, processing/modification and packing.

There are proposals to set up new Para-xylene Plant each at Haldia Refinery and Paradeep Refinery. Preliminary feasibility study for setting up a new Para-xylene Pant at Haldia Refinery is in progress. Process Licensor has been engaged and basic engineering jobs are in progress for Para-xylene Project at Paradeep. No expenditure has been incurred so far for these plants at Haldia Refinery and Paradeep Refinery.

Normal meter3 / hour